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nergy-Efficient Technology: A Wise Investment



"Viewpoint" is a monthly commentary by Wayne D. Keller, executive vice president of North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation and its allied corporations making up the statewide organization of electric cooperatives.

If all the most efficient technology now able to U. S. consumers were installed and by the year 2000, the nation could expect duce its electricity consumption by 24 to ercent.

That's the forecast of the Electric Power arch Institute, a highly respected agency of ation's utility industry, based on a recent of what could be accomplished with the gy-saving tools already available.

It's an impressive projection of the potential gh-tech tools, assuming the most-efficient nology were used in every possible applica- That's clearly an unrealistic expectation use energy-efficiency is often considered as an afterthought. Technology options are likely to be chosen based on price, conve- e, comfort, appearance and other factors. Still, the EPRI study is instructive in that it s how much we could do on this front if ere able to find the national will for such enda:

- We could save between 27 and 46 nt of our electric power—up to 484 n killowatt hours—through weather ing, caulking, installing storm windows oors, insulating floors and ceilings and highly efficient heat pumps for cooling eating.

On the residential side alone, tremendous s would flow from the use of the heat , which is also known as the Comfort ne. It provides heating in the winter and g in the summer, and the exhaust heat he cooling cycle can also be used for heating. These savings projections may e low because the industry is moving e these units even more efficient.

- Commercial and industrial operations could reduce power use by 23 to 49 percent or up to 505 billion kilowatt hours. The tools they'd use would include more efficient office equipment and more sophisticated lighting systems.
- Industry could reduce its power use by 38 percent through the use of more efficient motors that employ adjustable-speed drives. Such motors would operate at the optimum speed for a given task and thus use only as much electricity as they need for that particular job. And they're not just drawing board dreams. New designs to improve the efficiency of motors will soon be tested at North Carolina State University's new Industrial Electro-technology Laboratory, which is funded in part by the state's utilities, including North Carolina EMC.

As a consumer-oriented cooperative organization, NCEMC underwrites projects to improve energy efficiency because they can stretch limited resources over the long term. That's critical if we are to expect continued growth and prosperity across the state and throughout the country.

In addition, the results of these efforts will directly impact NCEMC and other utilities as they seek to provide an adequate supply of power in the year 2000 and beyond.

The nation has become far more efficient in using electricity, but we can afford to do far more. The U. S. uses only 7 percent more electric energy than it did in 1973 but the Gross National Product has grown by about 46 percent in that 18-year period.

Although the EPRI study didn't address the added costs for these more efficient technologies, they could be easily offset through substantially reduced power costs. If the nation can achieve only the research agency's most conservative projection—a 24 percent reduction in consumption—we would save 800 billion kilowatt hours.

With that much demand eliminated, vast sums of money could be shifted out of energy budgets to cover the higher cost of super-efficient tools. I believe it would be a wise investment for all Americans.

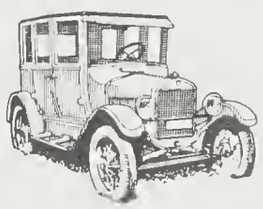
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Cover: Painting Depicts Bladen Scer

Our cover this month features "Goin' Home," an original waterc by Dona and Jerry Locklair of Lynchburg, SC. The image was painted from a scene using live models on a farm in Bladen County, NC.

The couple jointly produce their paintings and prints for sale by mail order and through their own gallery in Lynchburg. Many of their works feature Carolina farming scenes of bygone eras. "Goin' Home" was done as part of a two-print series focusing on horse-drawn wagor It depicts a farm family returning home from a trip to town with a bo of groceries.

"It's a scene from the World War II period, when gas rationing forced many farmers to go back to using the wagons," Jerry Locklair s

Its companion print, "Road To Market," depicts a farmer on his wagon with a load of tobacco ready for market.

The Locklairs set up scenes for both prints using Ballard Carroll' mule, "Lize," and his 1940s era Hackney wagons that were built in Wilson. Models for "Goin' Home" included members of Carroll's fam along with the Locklairs' sons, Jeremy and Jason. Most of "Goin' Hom was done on the Carroll farm near Dublin. The painting, "Rode To Market," is a scene on J. H. McLawhorn's farm in Pitt County. Photographs were made to guide the artists in filling in details later at their studio.

The models on the bench in the "Goin' Home" wagon are: Carro nephew, Randy Garner Sr. and his wife, Sandra Garner. Mrs. Garner is holding her granddaughter, Karla Barnes. In the back of the wagon ar from the left, Jeremy Locklair; Carroll's granddaughter, Juliann Carrol the Garners' daughter, Jacquelyn Garner (in the pink dress), Jason Locklair and Randy Garner Jr. (wearing the red hat).

Jerry, a native of Olanta, was a commercial artist and sign painte several years before enrolling at the Ringling School of Art in Sarasot While attending Ringling, he met and married fellow student Dona Hargrove, a native of Georgia.

The artists, who are consumer-members of Black River Electric Cooperative, Sumter, SC, are offering prints of "Goin' Home" in two sizes: a 26-inch-by-17-inch limited edition version for $60 (Item No. and a 13-inch-by-9-inch signed edition for $30 (Item No. 39). Both feature two-inch white borders. "Road To Market" is available only in 21-inch-by-13-inch limited edition for $40 (Item No. 41). For residen of the Carolinas, add 5 percent sales tax. For orders under $75, add $ shipping. Orders of $75 or more require no shipping charge.

These and other prints —as well as a color brochure on other w available—can be ordered from the Locklairs at River's Edge Gallery, 4000 Hwy. 341, Lynchburg, SC. 29080. For mail orders using major credit cards, call: 1-800-232-1278 (toll-free) or (803) 659-2795.

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Inspired By Carolina Country *Article*

he's "Dolly Elmseed" For Two Communities

Thanks to a Transylvania County woman a small article she read in *Carolina Country,* community of Brevard and a section of arillo, TX, both feature landscapes dotted a new disease-resistant variety of elm tree.

A remarkable series of events linked the communities through the efforts of Dolly mas of Rt. 3, Brevard and the Elm Research itute (ERI) in Harrisville, NH, which devel- the new elm.

Mrs. Thomas, a former president of the sylvania County Garden Club, spotted an guing article about the ERI program in the ust 1986 *Carolina Country.*

She receives the monthly magazine as a umer-member of Haywood Electric bership Corporation, Waynesville. The ication is distributed to rural electric p consumers throughout the state.

The article described the foundation's ts to promote the new elm, which is une to Dutch elm disease. The disease irtually eliminated other elm varieties ny areas of the country.

She called the telephone number men- d in the article for the ERI, and soon ved information about the Johnny Elmseed am—a community project designed to ote the planting of elm trees.

With the help of a local Boy Scout troop, rd was soon home to about 100 American ty Elm seedlings that were planted in a ry courtesy of the Presbyterian church. ees were tended for about two years until natured enough to be sold for re-planting.

It was a wonderful program," said Mrs. as. "Many of the trees were either sold or ed to local parks, housing developments mpgrounds."

leanwhile, the Brevard elms eventually ed the attention of Dr. Malouf Abraham arillo, who was looking for some elm trees it in a community landscaping project. I called the research institute, but was ointed to learn that the agency offered g but seedlings. Only mature trees would his project.



Dolly Thomas smiles broadly beside one of the elm trees that were planted in Brevard as a result of her efforts on behalf of the Transylvania County Garden Club. The disease-resistant variety of elms came to her attention through an article in Carolina Country. *These trees in Brevard Park now stand 15 feet tall or taller.*



ERI officials referred Dr. Abraham to Mrs. Thomas, who was more than willing to sell him the remaining trees from her project. They were shipped to Texas in the spring of 1990.

"Let me tell you, shipping trees cross-country is no easy task," she said. "I hope I don't have to do it again."

After a few years in North Carolina soil, the Brevard elms now stand 15 feet tall or taller. Mrs. Thomas hopes to check on the progress of the Amarillo transplants while on a trip to Texas this summer.

She takes great pride in the success of the program, which began years ago with that small article in *Carolina Country.*

"This wouldn't have happened if it wasn't for *Carolina Country,*" she said. "It was a small article, too. But it made a big difference."

For more information on the Johnny Elmseed Program or other elm programs, contact the Elm Research Institute, Main Street, Harrisville, NH 03450. Phone toll-free: (800) 367-3567.

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Extension Teletip Service Now Available 24 Hours A Day Using A Touch-Tone Phone

Teletip, a statewide dial-access information system that provides food conservation, gardening, landscaping and horticultural information, can now be reached 24 hours a day using a touch-tone phone.

The system, operated by the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service, expanded its hours May 1.

Persons without touch-tone phones can receive the same information with the assistance of an operator Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Teletip user can dial the toll-free number 1-800-662-7301 and get information on more than 1,000 different topics. Topics are listed in a directory, which can be obtained by calling the toll-free number.

Callers can also get an agricultural weather update, the telephone number of their county Cooperative Extension Office, or hear the Recipe of the Week through the same service.

The Cooperative Extension Service launched Teletip in March of 1978. Operators handled over 1.5 million requests for information between then and May 1, 1991.

Barco To Host Craft Fair

Craftsmen from around the state will be selling their goods at the 1991 Currituck Craft Fair, Aug. 10-11, in Barco.

The fair will feature air-conditioned comfort at the Currituck High School Lobby and Cafeteria. It will run from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. the first day and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. the second day.

Adult tickets are $1.

For more information, contact the Currituck Extension Office at (919) 232-2261.

Highlight Gothic Days Scheduled

A wide variety of family activities will highlight Clay County's Steamboat Gothic Days, Aug. 31 through Sept. 1, in Hayesville.

In addition to food and entertainment, visitors can try their hand at archery, croquet and horseshoes, or catch the antique car show or greased pole climbing competition.

For more information, call the Clay County Chamber of Commerce at (704) 389-3704.

Classic Autos To Be Displayed At Sparta Show

Classic automobiles will be on display at the New River Shrine Club's 12th Annual Specialty Vehicle Show Aug. 3 in Sparta.

The show will be held at the Woodruff Stadium beginning at 8 a.m., and feature show competition in various classes. The grand prize auto will win $100.

Adult admission is $3. Refreshments will be available.

For more information, call (919) 372-5402.



Discount Tickets Offered For "Horn In The West"

An outdoor drama in Boone will offer half-price tickets to North Carolina residents whose county is spotlighted on a particular night.

"Horn in the West," focusing on the Battle of King's Mountain during the Revolutionary War, is celebrating its 40th year of production at the Daniel Boone Amphitheater.

The show will be performed nightly, except Monday, through Aug. 17.

For more information, or to learn the date of the discount night for your county, call the theater at (704) 264-2120, or the N. C. High Country Host at (800) 438-7500.

Exhibit Features BMW "Art Cars"

Five BMW automobiles used as canvases for such artists as Andy Warhol and Frank Stella will be featured in an exhibition at the Southeastern Center for Contemporary Art (SECCA) in Winston-Salem through Aug. 11.

Entitled, "Art Cars," the exhibit includes autos from the BMW Art Cars collection. All five had raced in the 24 Hours of LeMans before being art canvases for the well-known artists.

For more information, contact SECCA at 750 Marguerite Drive, Winston-Salem, NC 27106. Phone: (919) 725-1904.

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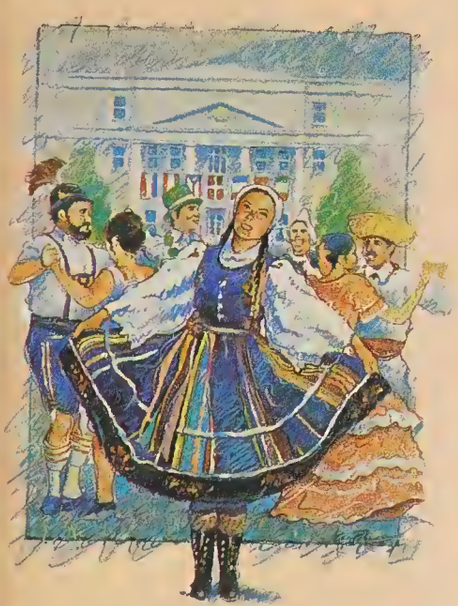
Eighth Annual Folkmoot USA Slated For July 24-Aug. 4

The Eighth Annual North Carolina International Folk Festival, Folkmoot USA, is scheduled from July 25 through Aug. 4 in Western North Carolina.

Folk dancing groups from Spain, Finland, Greece, Thailand and other nations will entertain nightly at the Stompin' Ground in Maggie Valley and other locations in Haywood and Buncombe Counties.

Patterned after classic European festivals, Folkmoot USA has been recognized for the past six years as a Top 20 event by the Southeast Tourism Society.

For more information, contact Folkmoot USA, P.O. Box 523, Waynesville, NC 28786. Phone: (704) 452-2997.



Farm Toy Show Slated Aug. 10 In Burlington



Farm toys in all shapes and sizes will be on the auction block at the Fifth Tarheel Farm Toy Show and Auction Aug. 10 in Burlington.

The show will be held at the Ramada Inn off exit 143 on Interstate 85. Items such as miniature trucks and tractors will be on display from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The auction will begin at 6 p.m.

Adult tickets are $2. Children under 12 years of age will be admitted free.

For more information, contact Rick Murray, 6416 Osceola-Ossipee Rd., Gibsonville, NC 27249. Phone: (919) 584-7442.

Shrimp Festival Slated Aug. 10 In Sneads Ferry

A full day of activities is scheduled at the Annual Shrimp Festival Aug. 10 in Sneads Ferry.

A parade will begin the day at 11 a.m. The afternoon will feature crafts, a carnival, clowns and military displays.

Adult admission is $2, with children under 12 admitted free of charge.

For more information, write Rt. 1, Box 13, Sneads Ferry, NC 28460.

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1940s Photos On Exhibit In Onslow County

A 45-photo exhibit illustrating Onslow County during the 1940s will be on display throughout the summer at various locations around the county.

"Onslow County 1940," will be on display at the Jacksonville Mall during the month of July; the Albert J. Ellis Airport during August; and the Onslow County Courthouse during September.

For more information, contact the Onslow County Museum at (919) 324-5008.

Performances Set At Snow Camp Theater

"The Sword of Peace," a drama set during the Revolutionary War, will be performed throughout July and part of August by the Snow Camp Historical Drama Society.

The play, which centers around Quakers who settled in Alamance County during the 1700s, will be performed every Thursday, Friday and Saturday, at 8:30 p.m.

In addition, the award-winning musical "Big River" will be performed throughout August and the children's play, "Robin Hood," will be performed throughout July.

For ticket and play information, contact the Snow Camp Historical Drama Society, P.O. Box 535, Snow Camp, NC 27349. Phone: (919) 376-6948.

Dan Blue, Joe Gregory Named 4-H Alumni Winners For 1991

State Rep. Daniel T. Blue Jr. of Raleigh and Joseph A. Gregory of Angier have been chosen as 1991 alumni award winners for the North Carolina 4-H program.

The alumni recognition program honors former 4-H members who have achieved success in their personal or professional lives.

Blue is the current speaker of the N. C. House of Representatives. He grew up in Robeson County, where he was an active 4-H

Since his graduation from Duke University School of Law in 1973, Blue has worked as a lawyer. He is the managing partner in the Raleigh firm of Thigpen, Blue, Stephens and Fellers.

Blue has served in the General Assembly continuously since 1981.

Gregory is director of agribusiness development in North Carolina for Carolina Power and Light Co.

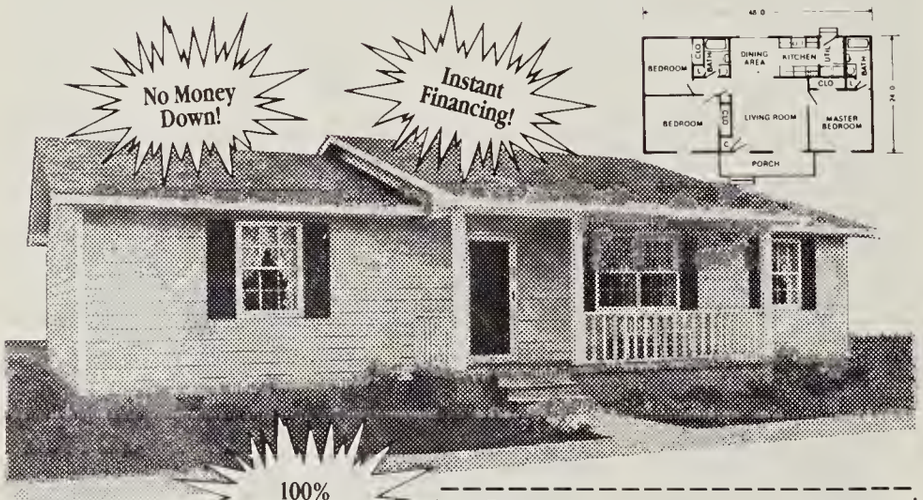
He grew up in Harnett County and joined 4-H when he was 8 years old. He participated in dairy, swine and cattle projects.

Since 1967, he has helped numerous 4-H with their electricity projects. He has conducted classes and workshops for 4-H'ers, their leaders and agents in all of the state's 100 counties.

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EDITOR'S LETTER

r Readers,

We must report a sad footnote to our ch issue, which featured Dempsey Essick's ting, "Special Ladies," on the cover.

The Davidson County artist's work had e dolls nestled in a rocking chair, with the s representing women who had inspired to do three earlier paintings.

One of them was symbolic of Alice DeLapp e Reedy Creek community in Davidson nty, whose homeplace was depicted in k's "Good Morning Miss DeLapp."

That painting was reproduced on our r in January, 1990.

Miss DeLapp's sister, Mary Kimel of Clem-s, wrote us a note to say that Alice had died pectedly in January.

"What a joy to see Dempsey Essick's ial Ladies' on the front cover of *Carolina ntry,*" she wrote. "Not only is it a beautiful ing but Alice DeLapp's doll is included in ainting.

"My brothers and I sincerely thank you, cially since our sister Alice passed away pectedly on January 22—two days after 2nd birthday."



"Thank you" notes came in recently from of our contacts who were pleased with ial we'd used:

Charles E. (Charlie) Edwards, manager State Farmers Market, said our photo fea-n the Hodges Street market in the April was wonderful." The market closed in hen the new Raleigh market opened on Wheeler Road at Interstate 40.

On behalf of the growers and sellers, I you for the splendid feature," he added.

Jane Fraser, president of the Speech ation of America, wrote to "heartily" us for using one of the foundation's service ads back in February.

he non-profit agency offers various ser-or people with stuttering problems.

You will be happy to learn that the se to it (the ad) has been outstanding. certain that those whose lives have been ely affected by stuttering in your area join anking you for your generous support of ise."

For information on the foundation's programs, call its toll-free hotline: 1-800-992-9392. Or write to P.O. Box 11749, Memphis, TN 38189.

- Sally Brown of Avon wrote to thank us for publishing an item about the effort to display a ribbon on the Cape Hatteras Lighthouse as a sign of support for the troops in the Persian Gulf.

She said the project, "Operation: Standing Watch," won a clearance from government officials allowing the display of a ribbon on the 208-foot lighthouse.

However, the group had to use a red, white and blue ribbon rather than the yellow ribbon originally envisioned.

"Feeling the tribute was more important than the color, we agreed, and the Cape Hatteras Lighthouse Ribbon was dedicated on March 16," she said, adding: "Only through help such as yours were we able to see this project become a reality."

She said various materials related to the project, including the magazine's item about it, will become part of a permanent scrapbook that will be displayed at Hatteras Island.

Mrs. Brown's husband, John, is construction manager for North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation (NCEMC). He oversaw construction of NCEMC's new peaking power plants at Buxton and Ocracoke.





Meanwhile, Mrs. Therese "Butsie" Brown of Ocracoke also wrote to us commending John Brown (no relation) on his remarks to visitors during the "impressive" dedication ceremonies at the Ocracoke plant. Our June issue featured complete coverage of dedication events at NCEMC's two Outer Banks plants.

Therese Brown said, "On Saturday, April 27, 1991, my husband and I had the pleasure of attending the dedication of the new generator station here on Ocracoke. It was an impressive affair and, although the attendance was small, all who were there appreciated the task which was finally accomplished.

"The talk given by John Brown was both enlightening and pleasant, and we were awed by the equipment as he explained its function. My husband had been around Bell System power plants for 42 years and could truly appreciate the equipment and its capacity.

"We enjoyed seeing Gene Grace (an NCEMC engineer) once more. He was a good friend to the community during the time the Bonner Bridge was out."

Mrs. Brown said one of the day's "pleasures" for she and her husband was winning the top door prize at the ceremony: a new color TV set.

"Thank you for the wonderful gift and a beautiful day," she added.

Best regards,

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Carpenter Cited For Saving Museum Thousands On Back-Up Power Syste

Terry J. Greene has been honored by Agriculture Commissioner Jim Graham for saving the sate thousands of dollars. He received a Superior Service Award.

Greene, an employee of the North Carolina Maritime Museum, designed a battery-operated back-up system for the museum's 20 aquariums.

The tanks, running on a separate compressor system, previously shut down during storms and the power was restored only when a switch was flipped. If that happened over a weekend, the fish would d and the museum had to clean out the tanks and replenish the sealife.

Normally a back-up unit would cost $4,000 or $5,000. Greene's battery-operated design with oxygen tank and solenoids cost only $25

"Terry is an energetic and innovative young man," said Rodney Barfield, director of the North Carolina Maritime Museum. "The electr back-up system is just one of several contributions Terry has made. He is a first-class carpenter."

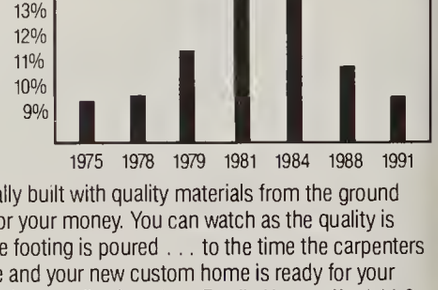
Greene, a Philadelphia native, spent four years in the U. S. Marine Corps and worked for several construction companies before joining the N. C. Maritime Museum staff as a carpenter in 1988.

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NCEMC Scholarship Awarded To D. Carlton Keen, A Junior Engineering Major At NCSU

A Wayne County college student has been selected as the winner of the North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation (NCEMC) engineering scholarship for 1991-92.

Don Carlton Keen of Mount Olive, a junior electrical engineering major at North Carolina State University, will divide the



$2,000 scholarship between his final two years of study at NCSU. Under the scholarship program, he will also work as a summer intern at one of NCEMC's member cooperatives in 1992.

"I feel very fortunate to have won this scholarship," said Keen, who first learned about the scholarship when he read a *Carolina Country* article about a previous winner.

Keen also participated in the Rural Electric Youth Tour to Washington in 1988. Sponsored by Tri-County EMC, Dudley, Keen spent a week with about 40 other Tar Heel students touring Washington and learning about cooperative principles.

Keen has better than a 3.6 grade point average at NCSU. He is a 1989 graduate of Southern Wayne High School and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Keen of Mount Olive.

Don Keen is a serviceman for Tri-County EMC.

The NCEMC scholarship is designed to assist a junior electrical engineering major at NCSU who is interested in electrical power engineering and has an outstanding scholastic record and leadership potential.

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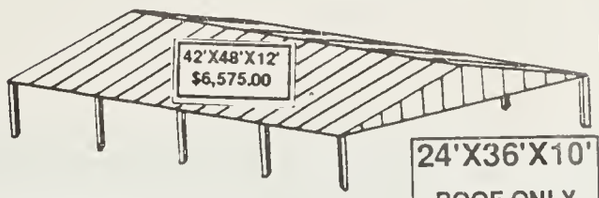
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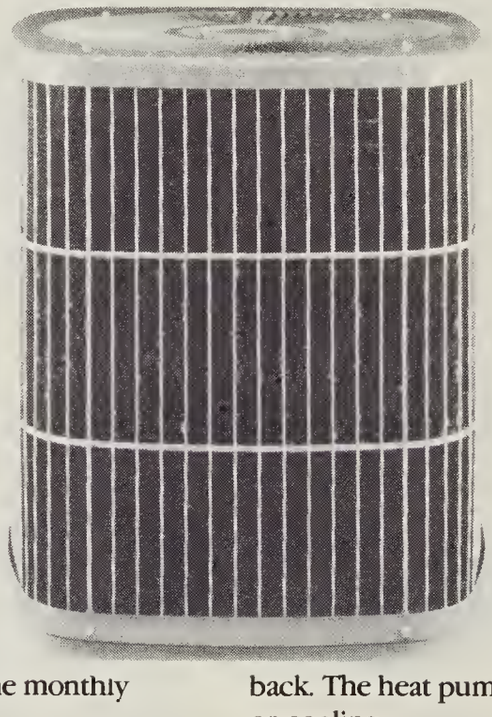
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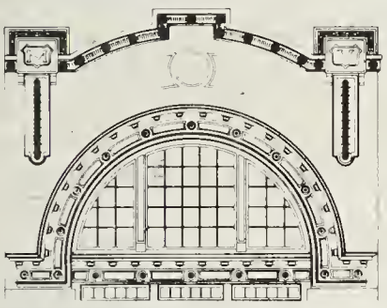
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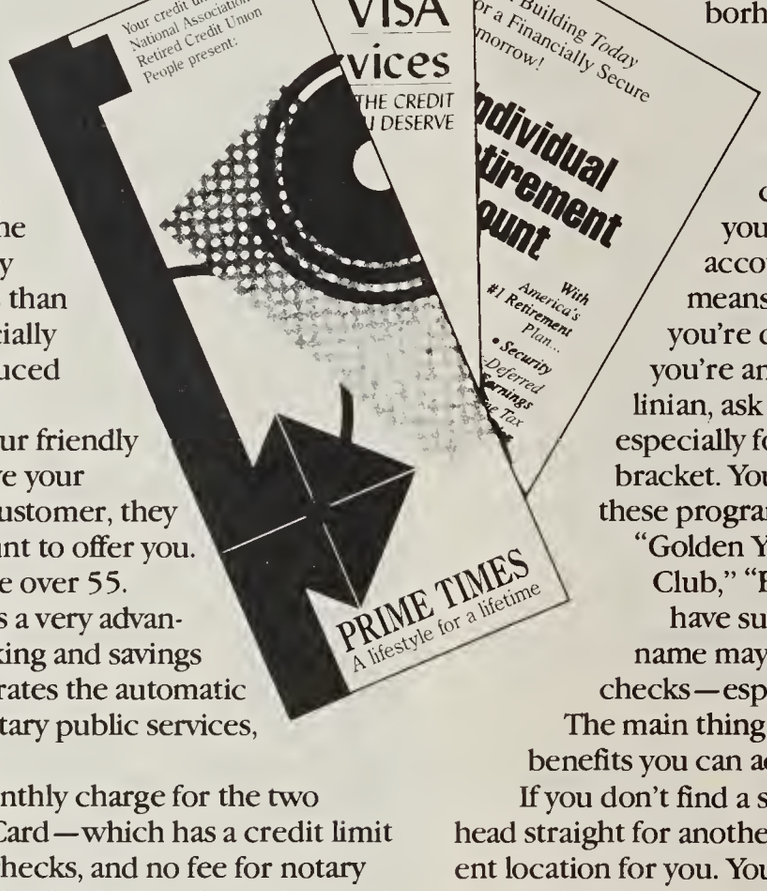
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Shop Around To Find Best Banking Deal

When the bank statement arrives, most of us usually check to see what balance we're showing in our checking account and which checks have cleared and which ones are still pending.

Do you also read the printed documents that are sometimes enclosed? They tell about insurance coverage, new accounts you can have and similar topics? These days it could be worthwhile to check those enclosures—because the cost of banking services may be going up.

This should not be surprising because banks and credit unions have increasing expenses. They may be required to maintain larger reserves, money they can't lend to their customers. They also may face higher charges for deposit insurance.



With the prospect of higher costs, depositors will be looking around for the best deal they can find. After all, nobody wants to pay more for banking services than absolutely necessary—and this is especially true for older folks who may be on reduced or fixed incomes.

You might want to pay a visit to your friendly banker at the place where you now have your account. If they want to keep you as a customer, they may even have some new type of account to offer you. This often applies to customers who are over 55.

One bank offers mature customers a very advantageous arrangement. It includes checking and savings accounts, a credit card, a card that operates the automatic teller machine, a safety deposit box, notary public services, traveler's and cashier's checks.

A lot of this is free. There is no monthly charge for the two accounts, no annual fee for the MasterCard—which has a credit limit of $5,000—no charge for customized checks, and no fee for notary services, traveler's checks or cashier's checks. In fact, the savings and checking accounts pay 5 percent interest.

So what is the catch? The customer pays $12.50 a year, half of the customary $25 fee for the lockbox, and is required to keep a minimum of $1,000 in the savings account. If he falls below this figure, several fees are imposed until the $1,000 level is restored. The account also has overdraft protection, with a $5,000 limit.

Some folks pay a lot more. Typically, a Visa or MasterCard will have a fee of $15-$20 a year, along with usual interest that applies if the monthly bill is not paid in full within 25 days.

Many depositors have an account with a monthly "maintenance" fee of $3 or more—plus a charge for each check written, which may be 30 or 35 cents. So if you have this account, and write 20 checks a month, you may pay the bank $10 or $12 for the convenience. Such accounts usually require a very low minimu balance.

There are other accounts with minimu balances, perhaps $500 or $1,000, which ha lower fees and may escape charges complet in a good month.

In addition, some banks provide delux accounts which give many services—l require that the account have an average balance in the neigh borhood of $25,000. Th will usually include special "gold" credit cards, whic usually offer highe credit limits. So how you find the best possil account for you? By all means start with the bank you're dealing with now. If you're an older North Carolinian, ask what they have especially for folks in your age bracket. You will often find that these programs carry fancy label "Golden Years Club," "Senior Club," "Elite," "Bonus." If yo have such an account, the name may be printed on your checks—especially if they're fre The main thing is to find out what benefits you can achieve.

If you don't find a service that suits you head straight for another bank with a conve ent location for you. You may need to talk t two or three before you find the best deal for you. Tell them what you have to offer, su as automatic deposit of your Social Security check or other regular income. Offer an impressive opening deposit.

With the cost of banking services on t rise across the nation, you owe it to yourse get the best deal that you can.

Remember: despite all the negative pu licity, bank and credit union accounts are s insured up to $100,000—and this is unlikel to change. What's more, these institutions i North Carolina are among the strongest in t nation.

In Special Displays

Grocery Stores Spotlight Tar Heel Products

If you're a grocery shopper who wants to buy foodstuffs made right ere in North Carolina, you can refer to special store signs to find top-uality "home grown" edibles.

The signs, featuring the distinctive "Goodness Grows in North Caro-a" emblems, identify individual items on sale that meet e standards of the N. C. Department of Agriculture NCDA) Goodness Grows program.



Agriculture Commissioner James A. Graham id that the grocery store promotion is the first of its type in e nation. Almost a thousand stores in 14 different food chains are rticipating.

NCDA Marketing Director Wayne Miller said statewide operators as ell as regional food markets are participating. These include such well-own names as A&P/Save-A-Center, Winn Dixie, Harris Teeter, Food on and Food Fair, Red & White, Kroger and IGA. Other participants are rd's, Harris Supermarkets, Hills, Lowes, Ingles and Wilsons Super-arkets.

In addition, many independent grocery operators are also joining in e promotion. All stores will display the Goodness Grows emblem in their stores and on individual items for sale.

The products include fresh produce, seafood, fruits, nuts and such brand names as Lundy pork products, Neese Country Sausage, Pepsi-Cola, Pine State, Texas Pete products and others.

Grocery surveys conducted by NCDA marketing specialists indicate consumers prefer products from their home state over products from other areas, assuming the quality and price are comparable.

"When asked if they would buy a North Carolina product over those from a competing state, more than 90 percent of the shoppers indicated a positive response, so we feel like the expansion of the program will mean millions of dollars in sales of North Carolina food items," said Miller.

In announcing the new promotion, NCDA officials offered a special commendation for Biscuitville of Burlington, which has been making ham and sausage biscuits for 25 years, always using as many North Carolina meats and products as possible.

The promotion program is envisioned as a continuing effort to identify North Carolina foodstuffs for years to come.

To use the "Goodness Grows" emblem, a vendor's products must pass strict quality standards established by NCDA.

Since the program began five years ago, more than 200 food producers and processors have qualified.

Kings Cooking, Granny's Pit Crew Take Top Prizes In 'Cue Cook-off

Barbecue chefs from Shelby and Wendell won first place prizes in the Seventh Annual Carolina Barbecue Championship Cook-off recently at the North Carolina State Fairgrounds.

The top award in the Culinary Division went to Kings Cooking of Shelby while the first place prize in the Showmanship Division went to Granny's Pit Crew of Wendell. Both crews also picked up other awards: Kings finished second in the Showmanship Division and Granny's Pit Crew finished third in the Culinary Division.

Troy Warlick served as chief cook for the Shelby entry and Larry E. Snead led the Wendell crew.

Other winners from among the 25 entries were:

Culinary Division—Level Construction of Garner, Gary Hicks, chief cook, second place; Hardwick Farms Cookers of Clarendon, David Hardwick, chief cook, fourth and Southern Delight of Garner, Bob Craddock, chief cook, fifth.

Showmanship Division—Country Boy's Barbecue of Raleigh, Rodney Cannon, chief cook, third.

The contest, sponsored by the Pork Producers of North Carolina, featured $2,000 in prize money and other awards.

The event drew hundreds of barbecue enthusiasts, who watched and feasted on large servings of barbecue, cole slaw, hush puppies and potatoes. The plates were sold with proceeds supporting a charitable organization.

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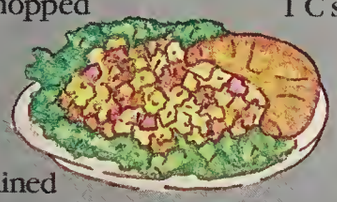
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Fruited Chicken Salad

Submitted by Mrs. B. F. Parris, Statesville



4 C chicken, cooked, chopped
2 C celery, diced
2 1/2 C seedless red or green grapes, halved
1 can (15 1/2 oz.) pineapple tidbits, drained
1 can (11 oz.) mandarin oranges, drained
1 C slivered almonds, toasted
1/2 C mayonnaise
1/2 C sour cream
2 T lemon juice
1/4 tsp. salt
1/4 tsp. white pepper

Combine first six ingredients and toss well. Combine mayonnaise, sour cream, lemon juice, salt and pepper. Add to chicken mixture, stirring well. Chill several hours before serving. Serve on lettuce with croissant rolls or put in cheese tart shells.

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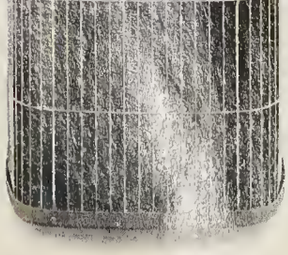
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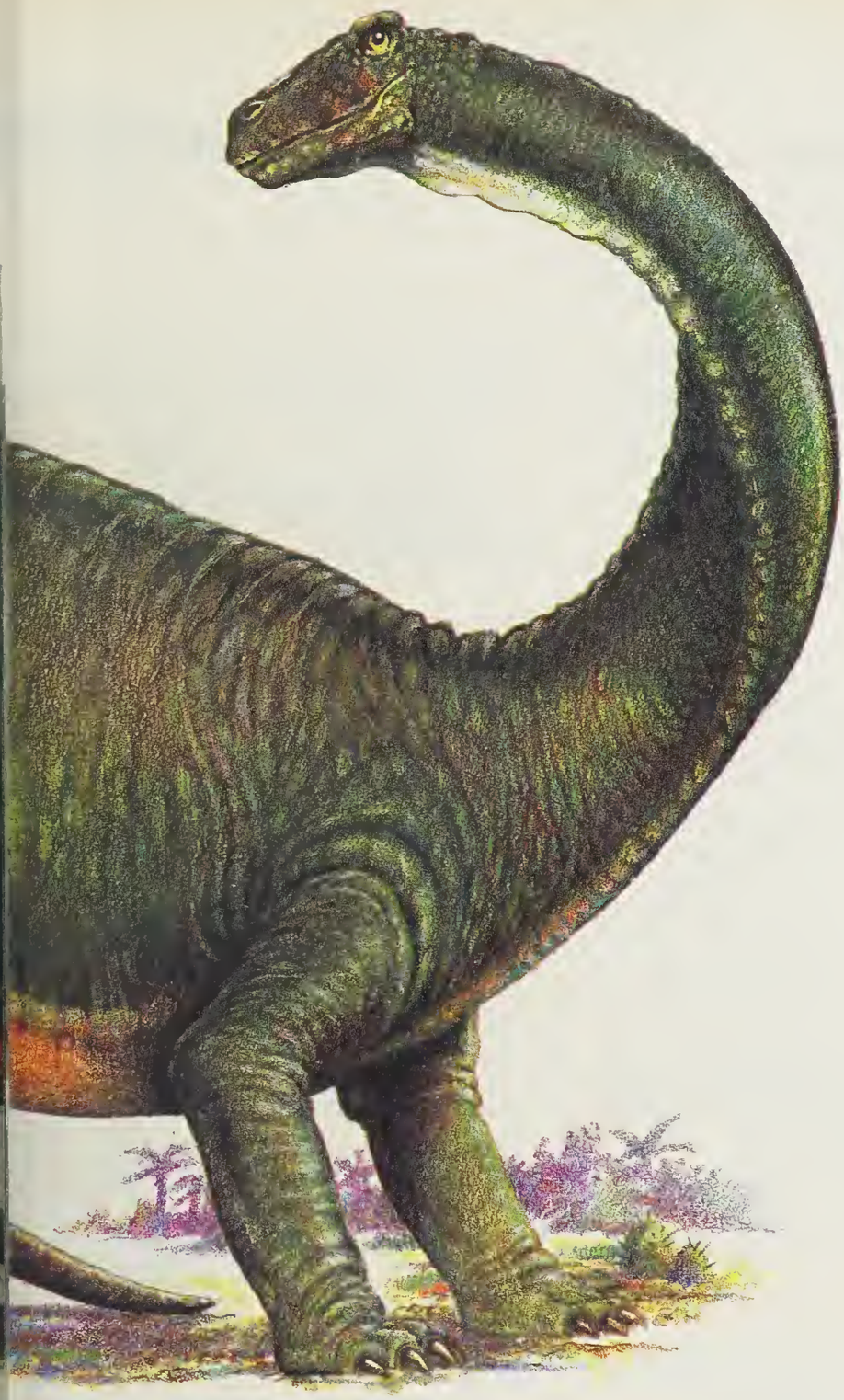
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HANK'S GARDENING GUIDE

By Hank Sn

The heat of summer calls for emphasis on watering: don't let plants suffer from lack of moisture. Be alert for mineral deficiencies in the summer vegetable garden. Gather vegetables regularly to keep plants productive. You'll want to root cuttings of azaleas, camellias and hollies to fill in where there are gaps in the shrubbery border.



Mums

Continue to pinch back chrysanthemums to encourage lower, more compact and well-branched plants. Stop pruning about seven weeks before the normal blooming date in your area. This date will vary with varieties.

Cushion mums, those low-mounding plants often used in foreground plantings, should be fed monthly with a balanced fertilizer such as 8-8-8. Apply at rate of one pound per 100 square feet of bed.

Sucker Growth And Pruning

You'll want to cut away any stray sucker growth that sprouts from below the graft union on roses and fruit trees. These suckers take energy from the desired growth above the graft.

When pruning or shearing hedges, keep in mind that they should be shaped so the bottom is wider than the top. This is easily noted when the hedge is viewed from the side. Such pruning ensures that lower branches get ample light to produce thick growth all the way to the ground. Hedges that are pruned or sheared into box-like designs eventually become open and thin at the base.

Perennials

Now's a good time to sow seeds of perennials in pots and flats. In a few weeks transplant seedlings into individual pots.

Water when the soil begins to dry out, and fertilize every other week with a water-soluble fertilizer or add a slow-release fertilizer to the soil.

Plants should be ready to set in the garden this fall.

Vegetables

After bush beans, squash and corn are harvested, pull out the plants and replant for a late-summer crop. Place removed plants on the compost pile, discarding any that show signs of insects and diseases.

Fertilize other vegetables to keep them producing all summer long. Pole beans will continue to produce if side-dressed with one-fourth cup of 5-10-10 per 10 feet of row. Cucumbers will continue to produce if you keep picking. Oversized cucumbers should be removed and discarded. Allowing them to remain on the plant will slow production.

For a fall harvest of tomatoes, set out a few plants now. If plants are no longer available at the garden center, root cuttings from plants now growing in your garden.

Bagworms Are Fair Game, But Don't Destroy Critters That Will Become Monarch Butterflies



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If a plant has been attacked by only a few bagworms, pull them off and destroy. If there's a heavy infestation, control with malathion or Sevin.

Prepare Iris Beds Now

Preparing beds for bearded iris now will allow soil to settle before rhizomes are planted in late summer. Dig at least 18 inches deep, breaking up any heavy clumps. If soil is heavy, work in well-rotted sawdust, old bark chips or peat moss to help improve drainage.

Spade in a comp
fertilizer such as 1
10-10 or 8-8-8, usi
one pound per 10
square feet. Mix th
oughly to prevent
root-burn on new
planted rhizomes.

Iris grow best i
full sun. A souther
exposure, where
there is good air c
culation, will proc
the finest plants a
quality blooms.

'ang Beauty

Hanging baskets n add beauty and a eling of coolness to e summer land- ape. For a tropical- ok, select ferns, hoya vax vine), wander- g jew, caladium and her foliage plants. Color is offered by tunias, impatiens, rtulaca and ugainvilleas. Hanging baskets are posed to hot drying from all sides. They best in partial ade and require nost daily watering. Plants should be l every week or 10 s with a complete uid fertilizer to intain healthy wth. To keep nts looking their t, it's wise to nove dead foliage l faded flowers.



Mulch

Check the mulch und shrubs and in verbeds. If neces- , replenish to con- e moisture and uce the growth of eds.

On recently trans- nted trees and shrubs, a good mulch can mean the difference between a healthy plant and a dead plant.

Dahlias

After their first crop of flowers, cut back dahlias to about half their growth and give them a light application of fertilizer.

After this treatment, plants will branch and produce a good crop of fall blooms. To avoid crooked stems, plants should be staked. This also prevents wind and rain damage.

Stepping Stones

Stepping stones can add problems in mowing the lawn, but just a little minor engineering can make the task of mowing around the stones easier.

If the stones are in the way of the mower blade, lower the stones so the mower moves over them when cutting the grass.

Or, remove the grass around the stones and fill with pebbles to a depth of three to five inches. Place sheets of flexible plastic beneath the pebbles to deter weeds.

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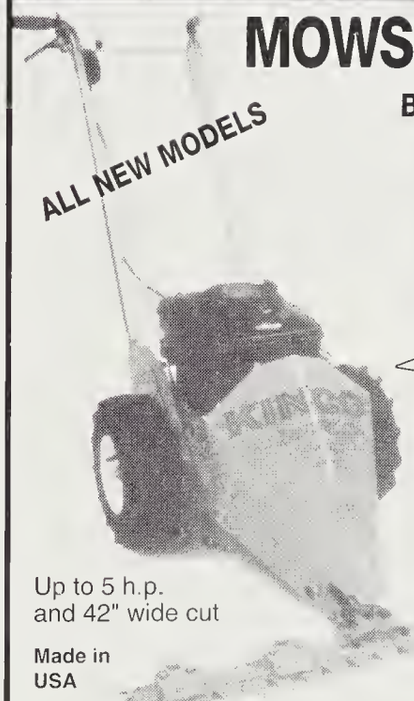
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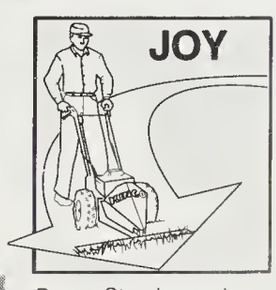
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By Owen Bish

Two Readers Square Off On FDR's Greatness

Our recent columns on the greatest American presidents continue to stir comment from our readers. Among the strongest reactions so far are those of two men who couldn't disagree more about how to rank Franklin D. Roosevelt.

The 32nd president, who created the rural electrification program as part of the New Deal, is ranked No. 2 among U.S. chief executives by American historians, according to a *Life* magazine article by Dr. William Leuchtenburg, a professor of history at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Abraham Lincoln is No. 1.

Robert F. Veh of Tryon said FDR's ranking "makes my blood boil" because "there is a difference between being the most influential and being the greatest, in any type of comparison."

He added: "Indeed, as Dr. Leuchtenburg has reported, FDR did 'cast long shadows across the land.' Perhaps the most infamous shadow he cast is his beginning the spendthrift policies which have bankrupt our great nation. In FDR's blind devotion to now-discredited socialist/egotists such as Harry Hopkins, he led the US into financial weakness through the federal government's notorious giveaway programs."

In addition, Veh said, Roosevelt's "carele policies" involved the nation in World War II and he later "lost the peace at Yalta."

Veh also cast a vote for George Washing for the No. 1 spot on the greatest presidents l He said to consider anyone else for that distin tion "is to remake history."

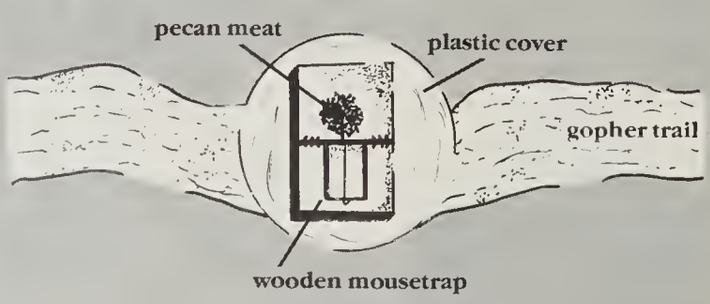
"This noble southern gentleman truly offered his life, his fortune and his sacred hor to give birth to what is a great nation, notwitl standing his successor presidents' efforts to d parage and perhaps destroy it."

Getting Rid of Gophers — Part 2

Here are more of our readers' suggestions for getting rid of gophers and moles, in response to the item on that subject in the April column:

• Gilbert Wood of Jefferson sent us an illustration showing his method of attacking gophers. An enhanced version of it appears below. He uses a wooden mouse trap baited with pecan meat and covered with plastic, a bucket or other container.

"I caught 48 gophers from one den with one trap," he said. "And I caught a total of 78 with two traps."



• Tresa Baker of Spring Lake passed along a remedy she's never tried although it was recommended to her as effective. "You use Wrigley's Juicy Fruit Gum. It is a very sticky gum. Just put it in their hole and it stops them in their tracks. It gets in their teeth and they can't go anywhere.

"I hope that anyone who would use this method would watch and see when he is stopped and dig him out and put him somewhere where he can be himself. . . I wish anyone who tries this good luck, and hope they will think of the animal, too. He doesn't know he is hurting anyone."

• A Watauga County reader, who failed to sign his note, suggested putting beans in the yard where moles have worked up the dirt. Then pour Clorox along the critters' tunnels.

He added that some folks "use moth balls to run gophers and moles out of the yard."

• Mrs. C. S. O'Brien of Rt. 5, Oxford, applies her own homemade mixture to the gopher tracks and has found the method quite effective.

"Take cornmeal and stir in household ammonia until the meal is good and damp. Open the track with a small shovel or a big cooking spoon. Put in the mixture and cover it up.

"I have used this in my yard and it works. Repeat the second spring when the gophers start to run and no more gophers!"

• Mrs. Sam Haymore of Rt. 1, Dobson, said "the best and the only way" to get rid of gophers is "to get an AKC German Shepherd Dog." She knows such dogs will take care of gophers or groundhogs because she has two of them.

"Get you an AKC German Shepherd dog and have her spayed. It is the best way to get rid of gophers/groundhogs. They make a nice dog and a great friend."



MAILBOX

Meanwhile, novelist/poet John Foster West
t. 4, Boone, also referred to Washington in
etter supporting FDR's high ranking.
"As George Washington is considered the
ıer of Our Country, President Roosevelt is
sidered the Father of Modern America by
e who are well informed," he said, adding
even most Republican politicians admit to
greatness" of this Democratic president.
West, who is an emeritus professor of Eng-
at Appalachian State University, said FDR
ributed so much to the welfare of modern
rica that it would take a book "to list every-
g." But he listed nine significant accom-
ıments of his presidency:

- Pulling the U.S. out of "the worst depres-
in its history."
- Introduced the eight-hour work day,
ing many workers away from 10-hour days
six-day weeks.
- Fostered strong labor unions, which
l many laborers from "exploitation" by
employers.
- FDR was responsible for a banking sys-
that guaranteed savings up to $200,000.
- "He established the REA (Rural Electrifi-
n Administration), which brought electric-
affordable rates to rural areas, where
e, the citizens—chiefly farmers—had
nded on lamplight . . . and on hard labor
bs electricity could have done easier."
- He established a Supreme Court that
ected the constitutional rights of ordinary
ns, the little people, which lasted for some
ars. . . ."
- He "guided" the U. S. through World War
il he was "worn out and dying" during his
h term.
- FDR's programs helped bring a shift in
culture that moved great masses of people
f poverty into the middle class.
- He created the Social Security program,
ı "has made it possible for ordinary people
ire and live in some financial comfort dur-
eir declining years."

West closed with a rhetorical question:
t other man in the history of the world
ave so much for so long for no other
ı than for the good of his country?"

Retiree Recalls Gwyn Price's Role In Guiding Him Into A Career At A Virginia Electric Co-op

I read with great interest your article on Gwyn Price in the November, 1990, *Carolina Country*. Mr. Price had much to do with my getting into rural electrification work.

That was in the spring of 1940 as I was preparing to graduate with a BS degree in agricultural engineering. With his counseling, I ended up being employed as Power Use Advisor with Mecklenburg Electric Cooperative, Chase City, VA, 35 miles from where I was reared in northern Granville County, NC. I retired from the co-op as Director of Member Services in March, 1986.

Elwood T. Blackwell, Chase City, VA

Bluebird Photo: "One Of The Nicest Photo Covers I Have Ever Seen On Any Magazine"

The cover of your February, 1991, issue featuring the bluebird photo is one of the nicest photo covers I have ever seen on any magazine. I would like a copy of this photo by Judy Hubers if I could obtain one. Also, I would like to congratulate you on using Richard Tumbleston's artwork for your covers in the past two years. Please keep sending us more issues with Tumbleton's artwork from Boone.

We have a summer cabin that is served by Blue Ridge Electric Membership Corporation, Lenoir. It is in the Beech Creek Community (Sugar Grove) of Avery County.

Ralph D. Jones, Cape Coral, FL

"Keep Up The Good Work"

I want to tell you I love reading "Hank's Gardening Guide" every month! I have learned many useful ways and helpful hints on how to care for my plants outside—as well as the ones on the inside. . .

I really enjoy reading *Carolina Country*. I look forward to it coming each month. I hope you never stop the publication!

To Hank and everyone else at *Carolina Country:* Keep up the good work!

Mrs. Danny Spry, Lexington

"Look Forward" To Magazine Each Month

I love the *Carolina Country*. I look forward to getting it. I read it all.

Mrs. Sam Haymore, Rt. 1, Dobson

Carolina Country is a magazine I look forward to reading every month. I enjoy the articles, particularly the ones on bluebirds in January and February. Keep up the good work!

William T. Cochran Jr., Washington

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